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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed, except for the listed U.S. Patent.

Each of the listed foreign patent documents was cited in an Office Action from the Japanese Patent Office in connection with a counterpart Japanese application. A copy of the Office Action is enclosed.

For a concise explanation of relevance of JP-A-11-134266, the Examiner is directed to the English-language abstract and to the partial English-language translation attached thereto. The partial English-language translation includes the abstract, the claims, and paragraphs [0023] and [0026] of that document.

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For a concise explanation of relevance of JP-A-11-187226, the Examiner is directed to the English-language abstract and to the partial English-language translation attached thereto. The partial English-language translation includes paragraph [0051] of that document and information pertaining to Fig. 6.

For a concise explanation of relevance of JP-A-11-312068, the Examiner is directed to the English-language abstract and to the partial English-language translation attached thereto. The partial English-language translation includes the abstract.

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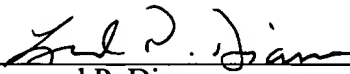
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